## **Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools (EANS) Program Update #18**

Greetings Wisconsin EANS Program Participants and Interested Parties,

We are reaching out to you to share an important update as a result of updates from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

In <u>new guidelines</u> released last week Thursday, the CDC no longer recommends staying at least 6 feet away from other people to reduce the risk of exposure. This new guidance is obviously a significant change that will impact the EANS program. The CDC continues to acknowledge the importance of adequate ventilation in communal settings as a mitigation strategy.

As a result of these new CDC recommendations, the following changes to EANS program services/assistance eligibility will take place immediately:

- 1. New requests under **Category 5** (Physical barriers to facilitate social distancing) will not be approved.
- 2. New requests under **Category 10** (Leasing sites or spaces to ensure social distancing) will not be approved.
- 3. New requests under **Category 6** (Other materials, supplies or equipment recommended by the CDC for reopening and operation of school facilities to effectively maintain health and safety) related to distancing will not be approved.
- 4. New requests under **Category 11** (Reasonable transportation costs) related to distancing will not be approved.

Watch for future updates related to status of prior purchases related to distancing.

We know this is a significant change and appreciate your understanding and compliance with the new EANS eligibility.

Have a good weekend, DPI EANS staff